

The state of "junk" calls and faxes, and personal intrusions is an emergency! Due almost single-handedly to fax.com, the fax machine is now useless for homes or small businesses. I have been getting 68 junk faxes a day ( about 10). Simply having an "opt out" 800 number is not sufficient (I'd be 'opting out' of 68 lists a day, get real!). How about we simply ban them. They had a chance to behave like legitimate companies and have failed miserably. If the commission actually does its job and collects the fines it has levied against the company, they'll go out of business. A huge percentage of the junk fax problem will simply go away with the closure of just one arrogant company!

Telemarketing calls have also gotten out of control. I am in the Navy and we recently installed phones at a new facility that we planned to use for training. Within 40 minutes of connection we'd had a sales call. I receive about 8-10 calls per day at that location and always have messages from these people on the answering machine there. These people need a strong message: we want you to stop this or go away! The do not call list success should tell you something. We don't need exclusions for charities, or companies that claim that we've done business with them before. Ban these calls, period. There is a company in Rancho Cucamonga California sending out cards that say "Vote for your favorite cola- Pepsi or coke and receive a complimentary 12 pack". Further inspection reveals tiny lettering that says "By completing this form, you agree that sponsors and co-sponsors of this offer may telephone you, even if your number is found on a "do not call" registry or list." That's how desperate these people are! This 'constitutes a business relationship'.

If this ever starts happening on cell phones, you'll have people beating your doors down. Please just stop it now, ENTIRELY!